



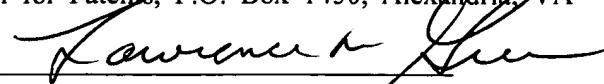
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Marc Hamel et al.  
Serial No: 09/865,404  
Confirmation No: 4280  
Filed: May 25, 2001  
For: AUTOMATED PIPETTING SYSTEM  
Examiner: Brian R. Gordon  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2004, transmitted herewith are the following documents:

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	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	5-6=	0x	\$ 86.00	= \$ 0.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) +		\$ 290.00	= \$ 0.00	
	Fee for Petition for Extension of Time (if any)			\$ 0.00	
	Other Fees (if any)			\$ 0.00	
		Total of above Calculations =		0.00	
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)			\$ 0.00	
	Assignment Recordation Fee (if any)			\$ 0.00	
		TOTAL =		\$ 0.00	

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Respectfully submitted,

*Marc Hamel et al., Applicants*

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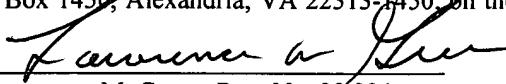
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this Amendment.